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SUBJECT: OECD - TRANSFRONTIER POLLUTION GROUP

MEETING OCTOBER 5-6, 1976

1) EMBASSIES AND U.S. MISSION ARE REQUESTED TO BRING FOLLOWING TO ATTENTION OF RESPONSIBLE ENVIRONMENT AND LEGAL OFFICIALS OF HOST GOVERNMENTS AND APPROPRIATE OECD OFFICIALS AND REPRESENTATIVES IN PARIS.

2)

ITEM 5 OF DRAFT AGENDA CONCERNS POSSIBLE CONTENTS OF 1978 WORK PROGRAM.(SECRETARIAT PAPER(ENV/TFP/76.12) HAS IDENTIFIED ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION IN FUTURE ECONOMIC ZONES AS ONE POSSIBLE AREA OF FUTURE STUDY IN THIS REGARD.

3) IN THIS CONNECTION, WE BELIEVE THAT IT WOULD BE USEFUL TO USE OCCASION OF MEETING TO HAVE PRELIMINARY LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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EXCHANGE OF VIEWS ON POSSIBLE ROLE OF OECD ENVIRONMENT

COMMITTEE AND, IN PARTICULAR, TFP GROUP (OR SUCCESSOR GROUP) IN CONSIDERING ENVIRONMENTAL AND RELATED LEGAL IMPLICATIONS OF DEVELOPMENTS IN THE INTERNATIONAL LAW OF THE SEA AND OCEAN TECHNOLOGY. WE RECOGNIZE THAT THERE WILL BE INSUFFICIENT TIME FOR DEFINITIVE POSITIONS TO BE DEVELOPED, AND WOULD NOT EXPECT FINAL DECISIONS TO BE TAKEN NEXT WEEK, BUT DISCUSSION WOULD SET STAGE FOR CONSIDERATION OF MATTER BY FULL ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE AT ITS DECEMBER (OR MARCH) MEETING.

U.S. WILL BE REPRESENTED AT NEXT WEEK'S MEETING BY BERNARD H. OXMAN, DEPARTMENT ASSISTANT LEGAL ADVISER FOR OCEANS, ENVIRONMENT AND SCIENTIFIC AFFAIRS. (OXMAN IS ALSO DEPUTY CHIEF OF U.S. DELEGATION TO THIRD UNITED NATIONS CONFERENCE ON THE LAW OF THE SEA) ROBINSON

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